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### State awards \$3.7 million in Training Acceleration Grants

INDIANAPOLIS (November 29, 2007) -- The Indiana Department of Workforce Development and Indiana Economic Development Corporation have awarded \$3,703,522 in Training Acceleration Grants to 48 Indiana companies or consortia.

The Training Acceleration Grant program is the state's primary incumbent worker training program. It provides matching grants to companies and organizations seeking to expand the skills of existing workers through training, which results in industry-recognized credentials.

"Through the Training Acceleration Grant program, Indiana is investing in its incumbent workers and helping our business community succeed in the marketplace," said Teresa Voors, commissioner of the Indiana Department of Workforce Development.

"A quality workforce is a key component of any economy," said Nathan J. Feltman, Secretary of Commerce and chief executive officer of the Indiana Economic Development Corporation. "The Training Acceleration Grant program helps Indiana companies increase the skills of their workforce and builds a more educated and diverse economic base that will continue to pay dividends well into the future."

The program has four core objectives: promoting small businesses; fostering job retention and expansion; increasing personal income for Hoosier workers; and providing training to address skill gaps in the Hoosier workforce.

The grants announced today were awarded by the state in May, June and July 2007. Following are the firms that were awarded the grants, location, number of trainees, amounts awarded, and outcomes:

Employer	City	Trainees	Award	Outcomes
3D Machine Inc	Goodland	32	\$105,800.00	National Institute of Standards and Technology/ Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) Advanced Manufacturing: Level 1 - Overview, Level 2 - Practitioner, and Level 3 Champion
AAA Wireless	South Bend	10	\$32,750.00	Image Stream; CompTia Network +; Linux+; and Cisco Certified Network Administrator (CCNA)

Agile Engineering & Manufacturing LLC	Indianapolis	8	\$28,000	Other / Customized Certificates - Purdue Advanced Manufacturing Certificate
Aisin USA Manufacturing, Inc.	Seymour	160	\$156,040	Certificate of Applied Learning - PC Advanced and Manufacturing Skills
AMPS & Volts Electric	Valparaiso	1	\$2,875	Journeyman Electrician
Bon L Manufacturing	Kentland	20	\$127,400	Mechanical Maintenance Certificate Journey Level Upgrade
Clinton County Economic Advancement Foundation <sup>1</sup>	Frankfort	13	\$21,560	Professional in Human Resources (PHR) and Senior Professional in Human Resources (SPHR)
Current Technologies Computer Learning Center <sup>2</sup>	Portage	31	\$129,500.00	Convergence Technologies Professional (CTP); CompTIA Convergence+; CompTIA A+; EC-Council's Certified Ethical Hacker (CEH); Microsoft Certified Desktop Support Technician (MCDST); Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (MCSE); and Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) Security 5
Drudge Screw Products	Wabash	55	\$187,650	Lean Manufacturing Associate, Lean Sponsor Champion, Six Sigma Greenbelt, Lean Manufacturing Core Tools, and Lean Manufacturing Leader
ECI	Elkhart	21	\$83,305.00	Project Management Professional (PMP) certification; Project Management Institute (PMI) Certificate; Cisco Certified Network Administrator (CCNA); Microsoft Certified IT Professional (MCITP); Microsoft Certified Professional Developer; Microsoft Certified Professional (MCP) Active Directory Server 2003; Microsoft Certified Technical Specialist (MCTS) and MCTS SQL 2005; Senior Professional in Human Resources (SPHR) training; SPHR Human Resource Certification Exam; Certified Payroll Professional; Fundamental Payroll Certification training; Certified Payroll Professional exam
Endress + Hauser Flowtec AG	Greenwood	75	\$157,500	Advanced Manufacturing Certificates: Team Member/Production, Team Member/Office, Practitioner, and Champion

				Associate Degrees: Organizational Leadership and Supervision, Industrial Technology, Manufacturing Engineering Technology, Logistics Management and Industrial Maintenance; Apprenticeships; and Journeymen Upgrade
Fairfield Manufacturing	Lafayette	26	\$130,384.00	
				Advanced Wood Finishing Certification, Master Glazer Multi-Step Finishing Certification, America Wood Finishing Institute Color Styling Certification, and National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) Spray Operator Training Certificate
Fehrenbacher Cabinets, Inc.	Evansville	28	\$137,200	
				Captovation Certification, Java Associate and Programmer, Universal Customer Master (UCM), Web Content Master (WCM), IBPM Renewals, Microsoft Certified Systems Engineers (MCSE), and Microsoft certified Solutions Developer (MCSD)
Frontline Logic LLC	Kokomo	12	\$22,865	
Gas America	Greenfield	5	\$13,698	Business Foundations Certificate
				Journey Level Upgrade: Pipe Welding, Industrial Gear Box Repair, Troubleshoot Industrial Hydraulic Equipment, Millwork, Fanuc-300 Operational Troubleshooting and Programming, ABB S4-500 Operational, Allen Bradley Control Logic Level 1, Allen Bradley Control Logic Level 3, Unico 68360 & 2400 Series Drives, Fabrication of Concrete Countertops, Locktite Seminar, and Basic Wood Joints Troubleshooting and Programming, and Kuka-500 Operational Troubleshooting and Programming.
General Motors Indianapolis Stamping	Indianapolis	200	\$199,862.00	
				Apprenticeship Training, Facilities Operating Engineers License, Manufacturing Skills Standards Council (MSSC) Certificate, Journey Level Upgrade - High Voltage, Hydraulic Troubleshooting, Programmable Controllers, Boilers, and Welders
Haynes International Inc.	Kokomo	238	\$141,207.00	
Horner Advanced Products Group <sup>3</sup>	Indianapolis	10	\$34,950	Customized Certificates of Applied Learning
i-Hire, LLC	Angola	14	\$45,210.00	Search Eng. College; Microsoft Office Spec., SEO Tool Set Trg.
Indiana Business Diversity Council <sup>1</sup>	Indianapolis	8	\$ 28,000	Certificate of Applied Learning and 7 hours of College Credit

Indiana Professional Management Group (IPMG)	Merrillville	20	\$5,600	Other / Customized Certificates - The Foundations of Supervisory Management
Indy Lighting, Inc.	Fishers	14	\$8,763.00	Microsoft Certified Technical Specialist Exchange 2007, Cisco Certified Network Associate, Certified Associate in Project Management, Project Management Professional Certifications, Six Sigma Certifications- Champion, Green Belt and Black Belt
Lafayette West Lafayette Development Corp <sup>2</sup>	Lafayette	8	\$30,800.00	Six Sigma Black Belt
LaPorte Regional Health System	LaPorte	19	\$35,218.00	Microsoft Certified System Engineer (MCSE); Microsoft Certified Desktop Support Technicians (MCDST); Comp TIA Network+ Certification; Comp TIA A+ Certification; Comp TIA Security+; Comp TIA Server+; Certified Picture Archiving and Communication Systems (PACS) Associate (CPAS), Certified PACS System Manager (CPSM); Microsoft Certified Systems Administrator (MCSA); Certified Citrix Administrator (CCA); Cisco Certified Network Associate (CCNA); Nursing Professional Development (NPD) Certificate; Health Information Technology (HIT) Certificate, and Critical Care Nursing (CCN) Certificate
Logikos, Inc.	Fort Wayne	53	\$193,040.00	Microsoft Certified Technical Specialist, Microsoft Sharepoint Certification, Certified Software Development Professional, Certified Quality Engineer (CQE), Architecture Tradeoff Analysis Method Evaluator, Certified Project Management Professional, Certified Tester Foundation Level, Certified JAVA Programmer, Cisco Certified Network Administrator (CCNA), Certified Quality Process Analyst (CQPA), Architecture Leader, Linux System Administrator, Human Factors International (HFI) Certified Usability Analyst, International Software Testing Qualification Board (ISTQB) Software Functional Tester and Software Test Manager
MAPP/Indiana Plastics Manufacturer's Alliance <sup>1 &amp; 2 &amp; 3</sup>	Indianapolis	129	\$350,240	Global Standards Plastics Certification (GSPC) Trainer/Assessor, GSPC Operator I and II
Miami Wabash Alliance <sup>2</sup>	Kokomo	31	\$32,450.00	Associate Degree, Career Development Certificate

Midwest Electrical Company, Inc. <sup>1</sup>	Whiteland	1	\$1,889.00	Certificate of Apprenticeship Program-Electrical
Miller's Health Systems, Inc.	Dunkirk	33	\$162,010.00	Bachelor of Nursing- RN
MSKTD & Associates, Inc.	Fort Wayne	72	\$77,903	Revis Suite Essentials-Autodesk Certified
O'Neal Steel	New Haven	240	\$185,600	National Institute of Standards and Technology Manufacturing Extension Partnership (NIST MEP) Advanced Manufacturing Team Member Certificate, Champion Certificate, and Practioner Certificate
Online Architecture	Indianapolis	1	\$1,200	Intermediate Flash Animation and Advanced Interactive Flash
Philips Products, Inc.	Elkhart	12	\$38,280.00	LEAN Master Facilitator
Pilkington	Shelbyville	21	\$29,792.00	Certificate of Completion: ePlan, Auto Desk CAD, ABB Programming, ABB Electrical Service and ABB Mechanical Maintenance
Promens USA	Middlebury	326	\$89,800.00	Advanced Manufacturing Team Member, Advanced Manufacturing Practitioner, Advanced Manufacturing Specialist
Rolls-Royce <sup>3</sup>	Indianapolis	45	\$52,849	Apprenticeships/Journey Level Upgrades
RP Global Technology Solutions	Fort Wayne	2	\$7,000	Alien RFID Academy and CompTIA Certification
Ryobi Die Casting(USA), Inc.	Shelbyville	85	\$178,258.00	Six Sigma Black Belt, Journeyman, Radiographer I and II, Certificate of Applied Learning, Robotics Training Certificate, and ABB Robotics Certificate
Service Steel Fabricating	Butler	1	\$5,495.00	Microsoft Certified Professional ( MCP); Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer (MCSE); Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer Security; MicroSoft Certified System Administrator (MCSA); MicroSoft Certified System Administrator Security and Security +; COMPTIA Network +
Seven Corners, Inc.	Carmel	2	\$2,490.00	Other / Customized Certificates - PHR (Professional in Human Resources)
St. Joseph Regional Medical Center	South Bend	200	\$20,000	Advanced Cardiac Life Support
Stranco, Inc.	Michigan City	14	\$31,900	National Institute of Standards and Technology/ Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) Advanced Manufacturing: Level 1 - Team, Level 2 - Practioner, and Level 3 Champion
Universal Bearings, Inc.	Bremen	1	\$ 4,176	Industrial Maintenance Technical Certificate

Vestil Manufacturing, Inc.	Angola	13	\$10,453	Associate Degrees - Associates in Business Administration, Other Degrees - Associate of Applied Science with Welding Specialty, Other Credentials - AWS Welding Certification
VPS Architecture	Evansville	22	\$ 43,290	Project Management Certificate and Journey Level Upgrade-Rivet Upgrade Training
Wabash Steel, LLC	Vincennes	11	\$23,830	Other / Customized Certificates - Customized Certificate of Applied Learning - Team Leader
White Electronic Designs, Inc.	Fort Wayne	48	\$ 42,000	Other Credentials - NIST MEP Advanced Manufacturing 5S Certificates
Workforce Development Group, LEAN Consortia <sup>2</sup>	South Bend	58	\$218,790.00	Advanced Manufacturing: Champion, LEAN Management Overview, Efficiency Optimization, LEAN process improvement, Error Proofing, and Practitioner
Workforce Development Group, Maple Training IT <sup>2</sup>	South Bend	9	\$34,650.00	CompTIA Fundamentals of Security+ and Certified Ethical Hacking and Countermeasures

The Indiana Department of Workforce Development is charged with continually improving the Hoosier workforce by assisting companies to create new jobs and improve worker skills. The agency offers a variety of training and educational grants, partners with Indiana's 26 WorkOne Centers, administers the unemployment insurance system, provides labor market information, assists employers with preparing workers for layoffs and closures and operates a statewide job placement service.

The Indiana Economic Development Corporation is the state's premier entity charged with economic development. The IEDC has a 12-member board chaired by Governor Mitch Daniels. Indiana Secretary of Commerce Nathan Feltman is also chief executive officer of the IEDC.